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In re the Application of: **Kazushi MORI et al.**

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HAVING A DIVIDED DIFFRACTION ELEMENT**

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Sir:

This is the requisite Submission under 37 CFR § 1.114. This is responsive to the Office Action dated July 1, 2004. Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listed of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 11 of this paper.